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SUBJ: MILITARY PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. MALI'S OFFICIAL DAILY L'ESSOR
PUBLISHED JANUARY 19 A PRESIDENTIAL DECREE LISTING
MILITARY PROMOTIONS WHICH BECOME EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1,
1976. INCLUDED IN THE LIST ARE THE FOLLOWING PROMINENT
POLITICAL AND MILITARY PERSONALITIES. (A FULL PROMOTION
LIST WILL BE POUCHED TO ADDRESSEES.)
TO THE RANK OF COLONEL

CHARLES SAMBA CISSOKO, INFANTRY, MEMBER OF THE MILITARY
COMMITTEE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION (CMLN), MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS

TO THE RANK OF LT. COLONEL

YOUSOUF TRAORE, INFANTRY, MEMBER OF MCLN

KISSIMA DOUKARA, INFANTRY, MEMBER OF CMLN, MINISTER
OF DEFENSE

MAMADOU MARIKO, INFANTRY, MAYOR OF MOPTI

BOUGARY SANGARE, INFANTRY, CHIEF OF STAFF, ARMY

AMADOU BABA DIARRA, ARMOUR, VICE PRESIDENT OF CMLN,
MINISTER OF PLAN

JOSEPH MARA, ARTILLERY, MEMBER OF CMLN

MAMADOU SANOGO, ENGINEERS, MEMBER OF CMLN, MINISTER

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OF INTERIOR

FILIFING SISSOKO, AVIATION, SECRETARY OF CMLN
TIEKORO BAGAYOKO, AVIATION, MEMBER OF CMLN, DIRECTOR
OF SECURITY SERVICES
MISSA KONE, AVIATION, MEMBER OF CMLN, COMMANDER OF
PARACHUTE BATAILLON
KARIM DEMBELE, AVIATION, MEMBER OF CMLN, MINISTER OF
TRANSPORT
ABDOULAYE DIALLO, GENDARMERIE, CHIEF OF
STAFF, GENDARMIERE
TO THE RANK OF CHEF DE BATAILLON
ADOLPHE DIAKITE, INFANTRY, COMMANDER-PRESIDENTIAL GUARD
BAKAROKA DJIRE, INFANTRY, MAYOR OF SEGOU
SEKOU LY, INFANTRY, MAYOR OF BAMAKO
OUSMANE COULIBALY, INFANTRY, SECRETARY OF ARMY GENERAL STAFF
ABDOURAHAMANE MAIGA, INFANTRY, GOVERNOR OF SEGOU
SOULEYMANE DAFIE, ARMOUR, COMMANDER , ARMORED BATAILLION
KATI
MAMADOU COULIBALY, AVIATION, COMMANDER, AIR COMPANY
ALIOU TRAORE, AVIATION, DEPUTY-COMMANDER, AIR COMPANY
TO THE RANK OF CHEF D'ESCADRON
MAHAMADOU KEITA, GENDARMEIRE, COMMANDER OF THE
GENDARMERIE
TO THE RANK OF COMMANDANT
MAMADOU BOBO SOW, SECURITY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
SECURITY SERVICES

END UNCLASSIFIED

2. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT: ALL MEMBERS OF
THE CMLN RECEIVED ONE-GRADE PROMOTIONS, EXCEPT THE
PRESIDENT. SINCE THE FOREIGN MINISTER NOW IS EQUAL IN
RANK - COLONEL-WITH THE PRESIDENT, IT WILL BE INTERESTING
TO SEE IF THIS AFFECTS IN ANY WAY THE LEADERSHIP OF THE
COMMITTEE. THE PRESIDENT HAS EVIDENTLY BEEN UNDER PRESSURE
TO GRANT THESE PROMOTIONS AND NOW THAT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS
HAVE IMPROVED, HE HAS CONSENTED. IN OUR VIEW THESE PROMOTIONS
REPRESENT A MODEST REWARD TO THE OFFICERS WHO RUN THE
COUNTRY. THE HIGHEST RANK IN MALI IS COLONEL-THERE ARE
NO FIELD MARSHALLS.

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